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ELECTROPHOTOGRAPHIC IMAGE FORM-
ING DEVICE AND PROCESS CARTRIDGE

Abstract:

PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To inform a user of information on the possibility of image-formation till getting to a toner insufficient state by estimating the point of time when the image-formation gets impossible based on the consumption of the toner and the number of sheets where an image is formed.

SOLUTION: A toner quantity in a developing device begins as an initial toner quantity V and is gradually decreased as the image-formation is performed. When the toner quantity in the developing device shows Z

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